

## MEETING NOTES

### Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>#41</b>
<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, January 11, 2018
<b>Time:</b>	Dinner: 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm Meeting: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
<b>Location:</b>	Delta Community Office (5225A Ladner Trunk Road, Ladner) <i>Located in the Trenant Park Shopping Centre next to Shoe Warehouse</i>
<b>Facilitator/Chair:</b>	Michelle LeBaron
<b>Coordinator</b>	Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata
<b>Attendees:</b>	<p><b>Members:</b></p> <p><b>Community Representatives</b>  Leslie Abramson, Ladner  Roger Emsley, Tsawwassen  Mark Gordienko, Tsawwassen  Dennis McJunkin, North Delta  Robert McCandless, Tsawwassen  Frank Rogers, Tsawwassen  Patrick Thompson, Tsawwassen</p> <p><b>Organizations</b>  Gord Westlake, B.C. Rail Company  Kate Hagmeier, Environmental Representative  Bernita Iversen, City of Delta  Greg Andrew, Westshore Terminals  Tom Corsie, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority</p> <p><b>Vancouver Fraser Port Authority</b>  Sarah Pilgrim, Delta Office Representative</p> <p><b>Guest</b>  Gary Olszewski, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority</p>
<b>Regrets:</b>	Andrea Jacobs, Tsawwassen First Nation Randy Johnstone, Ladner Naomi Horsford, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Tom Awrey, Delta Chamber of Commerce Noel Roddick, Delta Farmers' Institute (alternate) Marko Dekovic, Global Container Terminals

#	Agenda item
<b>1. Presentations</b>	
1.1	<p data-bbox="326 369 1372 401"><b>VFPA Noise Monitoring 2016 Annual Report Summary, Gary Olszewski</b></p> <ul data-bbox="375 443 1477 1692" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="375 443 1404 506">• The port authority’s noise monitoring program now provides two years of data, which has also allowed a baseline to be established.</li> <li data-bbox="375 516 1388 611">• The program also provides the community with a tool for reporting their concerns and provides quantitative data on noise, yielding objective information in response to reported concerns.</li> <li data-bbox="375 621 1477 684">• Tenants are asked to adhere to assessment guidelines aimed at reducing noise levels in port projects even as they to increase cargo flow.</li> <li data-bbox="375 695 1388 789">• Typical sources of noise include general terminal operations (equipment, alarms, signals), construction noise, auxiliary engines from ocean-going vessels, as well as truck and rail traffic.</li> <li data-bbox="375 800 1453 863">• The program measures continuous sound levels, the number of sound events and generates audio clips if the level is loud enough.</li> <li data-bbox="375 873 1461 968">• Although the system measures frequency levels, currently the analysis program is not sophisticated enough to differentiate the type of sounds in the way that human ears can distinguish.</li> <li data-bbox="375 978 1477 1188">• In 2015, there were three noise monitors installed in Delta – TFN, Deltaport Tug Basin and Gingell Park. The Deltaport Tug Basin noise levels are dominated by the terminal and so this monitor is used as a comparator to help determine if noise measured in the community at the TFN and Gingell locations is in fact resulting from the terminal (i.e. noise levels would have to be elevated at the terminal and in the community for the terminal to be the primary source.)</li> <li data-bbox="375 1199 1429 1262">• The annual noise report summary shows whether noise levels are louder or quieter over time and the nighttime noise trends.</li> <li data-bbox="375 1272 1461 1335">• People seem to be more accepting of daytime noise than nighttime noise. For this reason, the night trends are particularly important.</li> <li data-bbox="375 1346 1469 1440">• Data from the report shows that the port is always busy and generating noise. Over the past two years, the noise levels remain stable and are not significantly changing.</li> <li data-bbox="375 1451 1469 1650">• A monthly noise level history chart was shown from the noise monitor located in Gingell Park revealing that the nighttime noise is generally louder than the daytime noise. It is uncertain why the nighttime noise is trending louder over time. The port authority is investigating to identify the reason for this. Possible reasons include increased port activity, a growing community or other noise-generating changes in the area.</li> <li data-bbox="375 1661 1469 1692">• The 2017 annual noise summary is nearly complete and is planned for release in early Q2 2018. The current report will be useful for comparison purposes.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="326 1734 548 1766"><b><u>Q&amp;A highlights</u></b></p> <ul data-bbox="375 1776 1372 1831" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="375 1776 1372 1831">• The port authority is working with BLK Consultants Ltd. on how best to present information in an easily understandable and useable format.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Although the port authority has the ability to identify offending vessels, the usefulness of adding this information to annual reports needs to be assessed. Typically, the Port of Vancouver will see 600-800 calls within two years and an offending ship may not visit regularly. The container industry is changing and there are not as many repeat calls as seen in the past.</li> <li>• The majority of noise complaints received are related to a series of low humming, typically associated with the auxiliary engines of berthed vessels or locomotives.</li> <li>• Currently, the technology does not have the ability to accurately identify whether a noise is from an aircraft, train or ship. It may be useful to consult YVR to help with identifying patterns of aircraft noise and whether trends are shifting, especially now that NavCan has changed the flight path over Gingell Park.</li> <li>• Currently, there are no noise monitors located on the river. There is a possibility of adding a monitor within Fraser Surrey Docks but this will need to be assessed in relation to the scope of the two projected projects within the trade area.</li> </ul>
<b>2. General Business</b>	
2.1	<p><b><i>Delta Optimist outreach, Patrick Thompson</i></b></p> <p>Two different versions for the end-of-year submission were shared with the committee. One version was more a listed overview, and the other was written in a more narrative style. There was discussion about the best form through which to convey information from PCLC to the public.</p> <p>Some members suggested that the community may be interested in learning why little new information on Roberts Bank Terminal 2 (RBT2) has been forthcoming this year, and that it would be appropriate to provide an overview of the review process and its purpose. Others expressed discomfort with commenting on the effectiveness of the Environmental Assessment (EA) process. There was discussion about whether the EA process as described in one version was over-simplified. A decision was made to create a new draft that responded to members’ concerns.</p>
<b>3. Correspondence</b>	
3.1	<p><b>Community - general &amp; PCLC email, Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata</b></p> <p>Looking back over 2017, there were 14 Delta-related complaints sent to the port authority’s Community Feedback Line; six more complaints than were received in 2016. Top issues were noise, coal and trucking. The PCLC email inbox had two interactions; three less than in 2016. The two messages were about noise and coal.</p> <p>Since the last meeting, one email enquiry was sent through the port authority’s</p>

	<p>Community Feedback Line about a resident offering to send photos of king tide events. There were no queries received through the PCLC email address.</p> <p>A member asked about how the annual number of queries received from Delta compares to those received from North Vancouver; the numbers are roughly similar.</p>
<p><b>4. Reports</b></p>	
<p>4.1</p>	<p><b>Port update, Tom Corsie</b></p> <p>The Deltaport Truck Staging Area is preparing for its second phase of construction, with activities to commence in mid-2019. The required preload will need to sit in place for a period. Additionally, the team is preparing the next construction package. In response to a question, it was not clear whether additional material will be required or if existing preload material will be moved around the site.</p> <p>Members were interested in seeing pictures of the Deltaport shore power process. The port authority is happy to share the photos with the committee electronically in the coming weeks. Transport Canada is taking the lead on announcing project completion. The BC Utility Commission has approved a consistent BC Hydro rate at container terminals and Canada Place cruise terminal to help incentivize vessels to plug in.</p> <p>A member requested that PCLC members receive a copy of the biofilm presentation by a port authority consultant in November 2017.</p>
<p>4.2</p>	<p><b>Committee member enquiries, Tom Corsie</b></p> <p><b>Q&amp;A highlights</b></p> <p>A member suggested that questions about transportation and the Fraser Grain Terminal should be included as in 2018/19 presentation topics, especially given the volume and types of information and different players involved within both these topics.</p>
<p>4.3</p>	<p><b>Delta office report, Sarah Pilgrim</b></p> <p>Topics of interest for office visitors continued to include the proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 project, air quality monitoring and coal dust management, port and terminal tours and shore power. There was also interested raised about the possibility of a cruise ship terminal at Roberts Bank.</p> <p>The Christmas wrapping fundraiser held at the Delta Office in December raised over \$800 for the Delta Life Skills Society.</p> <p>The speaker series has been well attended and will resume this month on January 24 at 4:00 pm and at 7:00 pm when birder Andrea Macleod describes her personal story of finding 150 different bird species in 2017 for Canada 150. In February, a free</p>

	<p>screening of <i>Sonic Sea</i>, a documentary on the impact of industrial noise on marine life, will be shown in the Delta office. The ECHO program will also be featured in an upcoming Speaker Series event</p>
<p><b>5. New Business</b></p>	
<p>5.1</p>	<p><b>2017 PCLC members interview overview, Michelle LeBaron</b></p> <p>A summary report was circulated by email before the meeting. Michelle explained that overall, members had very positive comments about the operation of PCLC last year. Compared with last year, there was a sense that positive momentum is building in PCLC. There was also an appreciation for the energy, enthusiasm and expertise of the two new community members who joined PCLC in September 2017.</p> <p>Michelle reported that members experienced increased transparency and dialogue in their interactions with port authority representatives and guest presenters. Members appreciated the presentations given over the past year. They suggested it would be helpful to have joint presenters on complex topics, for example when a topic involves various entities with jurisdiction or involvement in a given area or initiative.</p> <p>For 2018, members indicated an interest in learning more about activities on the Fraser River. They also expressed a desire to receive ongoing information about RBT2. One member suggested that a traffic committee be reconstituted similar to one that existed years before. It was suggested that this possibility be addressed at an upcoming meeting of the Delta Staff Liaison group when the chief of police will be present.</p> <p>Members were asked about their interest in having a joint meeting with the North Shore Waterfront Liaison Committee (NSWLC) in fall 2017 as was suggested by a PCLC member. The meeting would be held in port authority’s Discovery Centre in Downtown Vancouver. Members were generally in favour, so a request will go to the NSWLC to gauge their level of interest.</p> <p>Michelle suggested that it was important that PCLC anticipate changes in 2019 when many community representatives will cycle off PCLC, leaving the two most recent members with new appointees. 2018 is an opportunity to learn as much as possible and build on the positive momentum generated last year. She invited members to vote on their top presentation topics. The list 2018/19 presentation topics selected are (in order of preference):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transportation and traffic (governance, funding, science)</li> <li>2. Fraser River Industrial Alliance</li> <li>3. Fraser Surrey Docks</li> <li>4. TFN overview</li> <li>5. Port business forecasting</li> <li>6. Greater Vancouver Gateway 2030</li> <li>7. Tilbury Cement</li> <li>8. Fortis LNG facility</li> </ol>

	<p>9. Local channel dredging</p> <p>This list will be added to the presentation topics currently listed as action items.</p>
5.2	<p><b>Assistance to the Mission to Seafarers, Leslie Abramson</b></p> <p>After holding a cheque presentation during Christmas to the Mission to Seafarers, a few members were interested in looking into options to be give further assistance to the Mission to Seafarers. Delta Office staff suggested that it may be possible to have a donation drive during the month of May for the Mission in connection with a Speaker Series event. Members discussed this possibility, with concerns raised about whether the Delta office should be collecting used clothing for the seafarers and about labour conditions on ships in general. This issue will be tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.</p>

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41	4.1	Share a copy of the biofilm presentation by a port authority consultant in November 2017.	Alycia	Future meeting
41	5.2	Discussion on potential ways to support the Mission to Seafarers and whether PCLC or the Delta office should be involved in this.	Michelle	Next meeting
40	5.1	Presentation to PCLC regarding ECHO Program Vessel Slowdown Trial once results have been received.	Alycia M.	Future meeting
38	3.1	Share the annual noise report.	Alycia M.	Complete
35	2.2	Provide formal presentation on salinity study and next steps.	Leisa L.	Future meeting
33	4.1	Presentation to PCLC regarding the Fraser River including the port's jurisdiction and long-term strategies.	Ram C.	Future meeting